

AMENDMENT TO SPECIFICATION

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Paragraph at page 17, lines 6 and 9.

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Once the browser has received the HTML file from the processing in logic blocks 310, 312 or 314, a test is made in decision block 318 to determine if the HTML file contains an uncacheable single pixel GIF (represented by uc.GIF in this invention). If it does not, the retrieved cached images are displayed to complete the build of the web requested web page in logic block 316. Processing of the request is then completed as indicated by termination block 326. If, in decision block 318, a uc.GIF request is found in the HTML file, then the uc.GIF and CGI query string are transmitted to the origin web server in logic block 320 where they are analyzed to gather the enriched web server activity data made possible by this invention. The browser again interprets the HTML code and builds the page with source or cached images. Using the example of Figs. 2, 14 hits are recorded for the web page, including one for the transmitted uc.GIF request and 13 for the other source images that are retrieved based on the HTML IMG SRC tags/attributes in the HTML file. This represents the surrogate nature of using the uncacheable single pixels GIF requests. The referent page for the 14 hits is also contained as part of the CGI query string. In Fig. 2, this is represented by "r = '&ref='+top.document.referrer". The gathering and storing of this enriched web server activity data is indicated by logic block 322. The request processing then ends as indicated in termination block 324.
